

SPORTING NEWS

PROTECTION NOT
AFFORDED PLAYERSBaseball Stars Are Target For
Abuse From Some Fans.

CLUB OWNERS SHOULD ACT

Under Present System Magnates Protect the Offense Spectator, but Not the Player—Diamond Star Does Not Want to Be Referred to as Rowdy.

Only a short time ago Detroit players pulled Ty Cobb back from the stands in St. Louis as he was about to jump in to attack an irate fan. Later Trainer Jimmy Dugan of the Yankees went into the stand at Philadelphia and got over one swing on a Quaker City fan whose remarks were of the sort that should not be permitted in any ball park. Both cases resulted in fines and suspensions.

Some are inclined to refer to the ball player as a rowdy when he takes into his own hands the case of a stranger who has insulted him. As a matter of fact, it takes courage for a ball player to climb into a stand away from his home town, as friends may come to the protection of the fan who shouts the insulting remarks. Such a fan is never dangerous, as he will say 100 per cent cowardice, but numbers are likely to work to the disadvantage of the staid ball player.

The case of the insulting fan and the ball player is one that must get the attention of league presidents, club owners and umpires if they desire to check such occurrences as have taken place at intervals for some years past. Cases where the player accepts in silence insults that are hurled at him are numerous.

Under the present system the club owners are protecting the insulting fan and asking their ball players to take his abuse. If they were not there would be a few cases of spectators being led to the gate and handed their 75 cents. It seems to be an accepted thing in some quarters that the fan who pays, or even comes in on a pass, gets the privilege of "riding" the ball player. It is not criticism that the ball player objects to. He can and will stand for more criticism of his failures than those average men, and he will fight back calmly to win some praise. It is the use of names that extend beyond the realm of criticism that calls for some action.

The real solution to the trouble seems to rest with the club owners. Shouting offensive names at ball players is classed as disorderly conduct or breach of the peace, and for such actions a person may be ejected from a park. League presidents can instruct umpires to take action against rowdy fans. They are supposed to possess such power now, but they never exercise it. Let a player shout something off color from the bench and he gets his orders to venture before the sound of his voice has died in the distance. Let the fan shout something twice as bad and the umpire pays no attention to it. The same ears that hear the player are apparently on vacation when somebody else becomes abusive.

In a theater nothing of an abusive nature is permitted. In fact nobody allows such a thing except the people who control and direct the affairs of baseball. They seem to take it for granted that their parts may be used for persons to heap abuse on ball players, usually on members of the visiting team. If there has been any real attempt to eject the fan when he becomes too noisy, it has escaped attention.

In justice to the average fan it must be said that he is fair and it is an imposition on him that he be listened to such talk as another man is to hand out. In chasing out the noisy fan the club owner would be enforcing a favor on his patrons as well as on the ball player.

That fist fights between players and spectators are not more common is due to the ball players, not the club owners or the umpires. No one finds it difficult to endure the actions of a man who takes it upon himself to set the mattress with one who persists in abuse or torment. Provocation is frequent, and it is to the credit of the players that clashes are so few.

However, the burden of suppressing the abusive fan should not rest with the ball player. He usually has a fine plastered on him for allowing his red blood to assert itself, and he is put in the position of a rowdy to the extent that punishment must be meted out to him. The burden rests squarely with the league officials and the club owner. The ball player's contract does not stipulate that he must take a certain amount of abuse in return, nor does the admission ticket of the fan carry any abuse privileges. It is not such a rowdy act, after all, to resent a talk or harsh names, even though the abuse and suspending of players would indicate that they are at fault. If the league presidents and club officials do their part the trouble would end quickly; otherwise the ball player must settle it himself and the real fan is with him every time. This goes for all clubs.

Kelly After All Round Honors. Fred Kelly, erstwhile king of high hurdles, will try for the all round championship at the A. A. U. games to be staged in Newark in September.

MORAN PARTS WITH SOME
CHANGE.

Frank Moran has lost part of his bank roll. It all came about through his not knowing Bud Goodwin, the famous New York A. C. athlete. Frank was enjoying himself at Long Beach, New York, recently. He particularly admired the splendid swimming of Mlle. Santi, the dancer. After she easily had beaten him in several trials, Frank got so enthusiastic that he offered to bet Tom Healy that Mlle. Santi could beat any male swimmer on the beach.

Healy's keen Celtic eyes just at that time noticed Bud Goodwin strolling along the sands to watch the party. Tom promptly offered to bet Frank that the first man who came along could give Mlle. Santi fifty yards in a hundred and beat her.

"Moran said the bet could go for a dinner for ten, to be eaten at Healy's place," says a friend in telling of it. "Moran seemed to be the only one of the crowd ignorant of Goodwin's record and identity. An approximate hundred yards was marked off just outside the bathing lines. Goodwin won easily. When the men were introduced after the race Moran said he was pleased to meet Goodwin, and he tried to act as if he meant it."

ROBERTSON GOES TO PENN.

Famous Trainer Will Take Red and Blue in Hand Shortly.

Lawson Robertson, recently appointed coach of the University of Pennsylvania track team, will not take up his duties in Philadelphia until Sept. 5, the day after Labor day. He will begin cross country work immediately and will also by his plans for training the football eleven.

Robertson is looking forward to his new work eagerly, the more so because some of the best schoolboy athletes are



Photo by American Press Association.
LAWSON ROBERTSON, PENN'S NEW TRAINER.

reported to have made up their minds to enter Pennsylvania. Among them is Frank Simon of San Francisco, who won the junior national championship in the quarter mile run at the Panama-Pacific exhibition in 47.45 seconds.

Brooks Brewer of St. Alban's school, Washington, who has run the hundred in 9.45 seconds, is another who will enter the quaker institution. George Meersmith, brother of the famous Ted, and Izzy Hough, whose brother Billy was a star athlete at Pennsylvania half a dozen years ago, will also enter.

BASEBALL ORIGINATOR FOUND.

General Doubleday Credited With Starting National Pastime.

The originator of baseball has been found. General Abner Doubleday, a West Point graduate and a resident of Cooperstown, N. Y., is credited by President Tener of the National league with being the man who has brought joy to millions of Americans as the founder of the modern game.

It was Doubleday, according to Tener, who first laid out the diamond and fixed the positions of the players, while, despite the many changes the game has undergone, have never been improved upon.

WILL COACH THE CHINESE.

Ewing of William Jewell College to Train Celestial Athletes.

Ray H. Ewing, a member of the 1916 graduating class at William Jewell college, Liberty, Mo., has received the appointment of athletic coach of Wayland academy, Hong Chow, China.

Ewing was a star in several branches of sport at the Liberty college and is well fitted for the duties he is to assume. Roger Arnold of the 1913 class also will be sent to China this year as a missionary.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

American League.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
Boston	65	47	.580
Chicago	64	51	.557
Cleveland	62	51	.549
St. Louis	62	53	.539
New York	60	52	.536
Detroit	62	54	.534
Washington	53	58	.477
Philadelphia	23	85	.213

American League Games Today.

Cleveland at Boston.
Chicago at New York.
Detroit at Philadelphia.
St. Louis at Washington.

National League.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
Brooklyn	65	38	.631
Philadelphia	62	42	.596
Boston	59	41	.590
New York	54	51	.514
Pittsburg	46	57	.447
Chicago	48	62	.436
St. Louis	48	61	.439
Cincinnati	43	70	.379

National League Games Today.

Boston at St. Louis.
New York at Chicago.
Brooklyn at Pittsburg (double-header).

Philadelphia at Cincinnati.

YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

American League.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
Chicago	11	11	3
Boston	6	11	0

Williams, Fisher and Schalk; Leonard, Gregg, Wyckoff, Shore and Gady, Thomas.

At New York—13 innings.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
New York	4	8	1
Cleveland	3	11	1

Shocker and Walters; Lambeth and O'Neill.

At Philadelphia—11 innings.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
St. Louis	4	5	3
Philadelphia	3	8	0

Groom, Weisman and Severide; Nichols, Sheehan, Bush and Haley, Nichols.

At Washington.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
Washington	2	7	1
Detroit	1	6	0

Ayers and Henry; Duhne, Mitchell and Spencer, Baker.

National League.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
St. Louis	4	8	2
Boston	3	7	0

Duck and Gonzalez; Rudolph, Hughes, Nohr, Barnes and Blackburn, Traggesser.

At Chicago—first game.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
New York	8	10	4
Chicago	1	9	5

Levitt and Koehler; Kellner; Prendergast, Brown and Elliott, Clemens.

At Chicago—second game.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
Chicago	8	17	2
New York	6	9	3

Carter, Hendrix and Elliott; Anderson, Schupp, Benton and Koehler.

At Cincinnati.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
Philadelphia	3	8	1
Cincinnati	0	7	2

Alexander and Kellner; Schneider, Schulz and Wingo.

At Pittsburg.

Clubs	Won	Lost	P. c.
Brooklyn	6	7	1
Pittsburg	0	6	3

Cheney and Miller; Harmon and Fischer.

All But One Have Led the League.

Every team in the American league has led the league this year excepting the Athletics. Here is the table:

April 11—Boston, St. Louis and Washington.
April 15—Boston.
April 19—New York.
April 20—Boston.
April 21—Boston and New York.
April 22—New York.
April 24—Boston.
April 26—Boston and Detroit.
May 2—Washington.
May 6—Cleveland.
May 27—Washington.
May 31—Washington and Cleveland.
June 1—Cleveland.
June 2—Washington.
June 3—Cleveland.
June 21—Cleveland and Detroit.
June 22—Cleveland.
June 29—New York.
July 12—Cleveland.
July 13—New York.
July 31—Boston.
Aug. 3—Chicago.
Aug. 30—Boston.

Sporting Notes.

Alexander pitched one more shutout game yesterday.
Ayers not only pitched brilliantly yesterday against Detroit but drove in his team's winning runs.
The Braves sold back to third place yesterday when they lost to St. Louis and when Philadelphia beat Cincinnati.
McElwee is playing a good game at third for the Athletics and is seldom going through a game without registering a hit.
If "Artie" Hoffman and "Rube" Gidding are through as players there are a lot of youngsters just breaking in who would like to begin where they are leaving off.
The Professional Golfers' association is to have a tournament in which the best players will divide \$2,500 in cash and win a lot of silver and gold plate. First prize is to be \$500.
Once more yesterday the Athletics outdid their winning opponents. A wild pitch by Bush, the most dependable twirler on Mack's staff, allowed the winning run in the 11th.
Wally Schang, Mack's star catcher, who has played about every position on the team until he was hurt playing third base, got back into the game Thursday and made a home run.
Germany Schaefer gratified his great ambition of the season recently when he got into a regular league game. He ran for Hoffman in the sixth and then finished the game at center field.
The Phillies have five games to play with Brooklyn in three days after their swing around, including the two games Labor day. If the Phillies hang on long enough these five games may make a lot of noise about who is to be the pennant winner.

PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Young have gone to Boston to spend a vacation of two weeks.

Mrs. Mary Gratty of Springfield, Mass., is visiting Mrs. Carl Endlich of Main street.

L. W. Hawley went yesterday to join his family at York Beach, Me., for a two-weeks' outing.

Miss Lucy Walbridge, bookkeeper in the telephone office, will begin a vacation of two weeks Monday.

Miss Nellie M. Hager will begin a vacation of two weeks Monday from her work in the telephone office.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Frothingham and son, Clinton, went yesterday to Williamsville to stay a few days with relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Wheeler and two sons will return Tuesday from Plattsburg, N. Y., where they have been spending their vacation.

Miss Lena Young, Miss Rita Eckels, Miss Lena Walker and Miss Martha Rogers are spending a two-weeks' vacation at Niantic, Conn.

Miss Annie Toomey and Miss Lena Smith will return to the bank in the New England telephone office Monday after vacations of two weeks.

Mrs. George C. Rich of Lancaster, N. H., came this afternoon to visit in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Sanderson.

Mrs. C. W. Reed and daughter, Ruth, and Mrs. Grace K. Dock returned today from Halifax, where they spent a three-weeks' vacation at Maplehurst Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Proctor and daughter, Vestal, Mr. Proctor's mother have come to Pittsburg, Mass., by automobile to spend the week-end.

Miss Ethel Millington will return to her work in the law offices of H. G. & F. E. Barber Monday, after a vacation of two weeks at her home in Wilmington.

Mrs. Walter Veiver of Newton Upper Falls, Mass., and Mrs. A. H. Whitely of Roxbury came Thursday to stay two weeks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Veiver.

Gus A. Rich, First Regiment band, New Hampshire National Guard, will come tonight to the home of his sister, Mrs. H. W. Sanderson, on a 48-hour furlough from Camp Spaulding, Concord, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cushing and son, Colburn, and Mrs. Cushing's mother, Mrs. E. E. White, will leave tomorrow for an automobile trip of 10 days. They plan to go to Burlington, Lake Champlain, Montreal and Quebec.

Miss Gertrude R. Hubbard left this afternoon for a vacation of two weeks in Boston and Worcester. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Lucretia Hubbard, who came yesterday from Chester and who goes to live with relatives in Worcester.

Sporting Notes.

The Yankees are "going" well again. Shocker, recalled from the International league, pitched a sensational game yesterday against another young star, Lambeth, but the latter weakened in the 11th. Once more it was Mullen who drove in the winning run.

Drummond Cowles won the title in the third division in the national road tournament which has been in progress at Norwich, Conn., all the week. He won six matches and did not meet defeat, but forfeited two matches in order to get back to business here yesterday.

It was on July 8 that Al Mamoux hit Art Fletcher, of the Giants, on the right forearm and put him out of business for nearly a month. Fletcher faced Mamoux on Aug. 2 and this time the Pirate pitcher cracked him on the left arm. He wasn't so seriously hurt this time, but he begins to wonder if Mamoux means it.

Three National league clubs are said to be seeking the services of Hohe Zimmerman, the hard-hitting third baseman of the Cubs. Walter Haygood, representing Boston, it was said, would put up a concrete offer, including players, to President Wegman, when he returns to Chicago today. The other clubs which want Zimmerman, according to Manager Tucker, are Philadelphia and Brooklyn.

It is said that Cactus Cravath, home run hitter of the Phillies, who made 24 of them last season, has asked for his release to the Pacific coast league after the close of this season. He realizes that he is slowing up but his home is in California and he believes he is good for two or three years more in the warm climate there. He is 35 years of age, which is getting along in years as ball players go.

George Gibson, the catcher on whom the Giants refused to waive claim and obtained him for the waiver price, has refused to report to the New York club, notwithstanding John J. McGraw offered him a better contract than he had with the Pirates. Gibson demands an unconditional release, which he asserts Barney Dreyfuss agreed to give him after the 1909 world series. The Giants have only Koehler available as a catcher, and Gibson's defection has placed McGraw in an uncomfortable situation, for Bariden will not be able to work for several days.

George Sisler, that remarkable young member of the Browns, gave further evidence of his versatility by playing third base in a game last week. What made his feat all the more remarkable is the fact that he throws with his left arm. It is not orthodox for left-handed throwers to cover any infield position outside of first base. But it is not exactly new. Back in 1896 fans will recall that Billy Hulen, the Phil's shortstop, was a forkhander. When Mike Donlin broke in with the Cardinals he covered short and used his sinister arm exclusively for throwing purposes.

In a Reign of Terror. In the American Magazine a writer says:

"For most men life is a modified reign of terror. Three fears go up with them in the morning and go to bed with them at night. They do not confess to one another that they are afraid; but their wives know."

"At night, after the children have been sent to bed, they sit by the fire, the average man and his wife, and face their three fears:

"First, the fear of the loss of the job.
"Second, the fear of bad health.
"Third, the fear of a dependent old age."

THE PINK DRESS

By ANNE MOREHOUSE.

It was during the first figure of the cotillion that Dick Harper noticed the girl. Even at the disadvantage of having his first view of her under the trying rays of calcium light, he saw that she was unusually pretty and instantly asked his partner who she was.

"I never saw her before," said Mary Brown. As the figure progressed, Dick passed and repassed the pretty girl a dozen times, determined to make sure of an introduction when the thing was over. But, as it happened, he was destined not to wait, for in the intricacies of the dance when fours were formed he found the girl beside him at his left. She looked unusually piquant and pretty under the tiny parasol which the girls had received as favors, while the men flourished slender walking sticks tied with ribbons.

At the end of the ballroom fours separated again into twos and here something happened. The curved head of Dick's cane caught in the filmy lace of the fair stranger's bodice and held fast. He felt the jerk and instinctively let go. At the next meeting the girl held out the stick with a smile. "This belongs to you, I believe," she said.

"Yes, thank you, I am sorry if I tore your gown," was all he had time for as they passed.

"Clever little ruse of yours!" laughed Mary Brown. "Why didn't Laura come tonight? It's a pretty party."

"Her new dress didn't come. Too blamed bad, I call it, but she wouldn't wear an old one."

"What a shame. But everybody is busy. My dress did not come until eight o'clock. How do you like it?"

"Peachy! What color is it?"

"It's mauve. And the dress you wore was hydrangea pink. I saw it before the electric light went off."

At last the two figures of the cotillion were over and Dick went to hunt the girl. He found her in the balcony and, as luck would have it, for the instant alone.

"Did I ruin your gown?" he asked rather abruptly.

"No," she answered sweetly, intending to set him at ease, but only causing more havoc in his brain. "You see, it can be mended." She held up the flounce that lay close to a snowy shoulder.

Mary Brown in an interval inquired: "Have you found out whose dress you tore?"

"Yes. Her name is Susanne Raleigh. I don't know where she lives—she won't tell me that—but I know enough to make up for that."

The next evening Dick came home early from his office for an hour's sleep before dinner. He had not seen his sister at breakfast, so he rapped on her door now before turning in.

"Come in, Dickie," she called. "What kind of a time did you have? Tell me all about it. That's the last time I'll go to Prior for a gown. It never came home until this afternoon, and isn't it a dream, too?" She ruefully indicated a crease of silk and lace on the bed.

"A peach," Dick answered laconically. Only one dress interested him just now and the thought of the wearer was crowding all other ideas out of his head. He looked back quickly, however—the color had caught his eye.

Dick came close to the bed and touched a sleeve. It looked like the same dress Susanne Raleigh had worn at the ball.

"What kind of lace is this?" He pretended interest and bent low, turning back a bit as he spoke. His sister, flattered, described the whole thing volubly, but Dick heard not a word. For there was the place where his cane had caught, skillfully mended, it was true—so skillfully his sister would never see it, most likely—but it was there nevertheless to condemn the girl to whom he had lost his head and heart.

A week later, Dick and his sister were waiting for the elevator at the apartment hotel where they lived when a girl and an elderly man approached. All were in evening dress and Laura's cloak was open. Suddenly the girl came over and impulsively touched Susanne's gown. Dick wheeled and faced Susanne!

"So it was your dress I wore to the cotillion and tore!" she exclaimed. "Oh, I've worried so about it!" Then suddenly: "Father, this is Mrs. Morton and her brother, Mr. Harper. They are neighbors of ours! You see, we have only lived here a month!" she explained.

"But I don't understand about the dress," puzzled Laura. "Are you sure you wore it? I'm sure it is not torn!"

"Perhaps Price fixed it then! It was this way: My own new dress didn't come, and when I telephoned at seven they said it couldn't possibly be finished, but that they would send me a model to wear instead. So when it came I put it on and departed, and just afterward they phoned that they had sent the wrong box and that I had received one intended for a customer. Father didn't know what to do about it and when I came home and heard it I was frantic. I sent it back and told Price it was torn, but she said she would make it all right. I'm so sorry, but really I didn't mean to do it."

Laura laughed. "I think the dress has served a very good purpose, Miss Raleigh, and I'm glad you wore it. Evidently my brother thought you looked very nice."

"And Dick instantly confirmed her words."

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